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THURSDAY, FEB. . 1928

What have you done Mr. Appomattox Booster for the National Park at Appomattox? Get busy and put it over. Now is the time while there is a surplus in the State treasury to call the sons of Vets. to show their hands, commemorate now the deeds of sires of worthy sons.

Spare the Young Tree

Generally speaking, it is a mistake to harvest a piece of white pine or southern pine under 30 to 40 years old, says the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. Some owners are in a hurry to realize on their timber and cut it younger for small sawlogs, pulpwood, crossties, mine props and firewood. In most cases they make a sacrifice in profit by doing this because their pine is growing then at about its fastest rate. It would be wise to withdraw money from a bank while it was drawing from double to triple the rate that it averaged over the whole period. It is hard to over estimate the value of a tract of yellow pine close to the railroad. Take care of it and guard against fire and it will pay better than cultivated crops

The South holds the highest record for number of fires and area of grassland and woodland burned. Forests are playing a very important part in rebuilding the South's industrial and domestic prosperity. Timber is one of the most valuable natural assets much too valuable to be destroyed or injured by fires.

Prisoner's Return

Monday night about 10 o'clock Jailor Fore heard soft calls under his jail window, and upon investigation, the response was, "it's Walker." Mr. Fore opened up the jail and admitted Walker Franklin and Gordon Smith, where they will be kept until April court.

They said they had run so fast Thursday in making their escape, that Friday morning they were too stiff to travel, and after being out four nights in the woods between here and Red House, tired and hungry they decided to come to Jailor Fore and surrender.

Thursday night the Jamerson filling station on the highway east of town was broken open in the same manner as other robberies to which these boys have confessed and it is believed that these young robbers also are guilty of the Thursday night robbery. They carried off cigars, candy, canned goods and other small articles, amounting to about $50 in value.

Saturday night the cottage home of Patt Coleman was robbed of a pair of army blankets, razor, silver watch engraved "S. P.C.", and fountain pen. Mr. Coleman says the entrance was made by key. The value of these articles will not exceed $40. This robbery is also believed to be the work of the same pair; with half a dozen indictments for breaking; some dwellings and escaping from jail, their term in the penitentiary is more apt to be a long one.

The town council has very properly offered rewards for the apprehension of any theft committed in this town and it is thought that the gang has now been broken up and all citizens may feel secure in their property rights. Sheriff McKinney and his aid, Inspector Bingham, deserve the reward of $100 offered by the Council for the arrest of these robbers. The people and officers have decreed that Appomattox will not tolerate thieving.

Smith and Franklin deny that they had anything to do with the last two robberies and showed Jailer Fore how they unlocked the cell and escaped, using a spoon handle for a key and fire-poker to prize up the lever which recloses the cage ceil.

On account of criticism directed at the Jailer for allowing the prisoners to escape, he tendered Sheriff McKinney his resignation, but the Sheriff has not accepted it yet.

The Board of Supervisors in session to-day will make such necessary order to make the jail safe at once.

So the the young robbers are safely incarcerated once more and the excitement occasioned by their escape has subsided. Merchants and homes will feel secure once more.

Kah! for our Sheriff and those who aided in locating and running down the robbers.

Tobacco Diseases

(Co. Agent's Notes)

Tobacco has been an important crop in Virginia for over 300 yrs. In 1612, 20,000 pounds were shipped to England. Now our annual production is about 150,000,000 pounds valued at about $24,000,000 yearly. It is exceeded in value by corn alone.

The long period of years this crop has been grown in Virginia explains why the many diseases of tobacco are now present.

The diseases of tobacco are divided into two groups: those caused by specific parasitic organisms such as blackfire, wildfire, rootrot, black shank, wilt, frog-eye, and root knot, and those caused by improper soil and weather conditions, such as ringspot, frenching, drought spot and lightning injury. Mosaic is infectious but the causative agent has not been discovered; it is termed a virus disease

Growers frequently have mistaken ideas as to the causes of disease. Some diseases attack when plants are weak and some when plants are in a vigorous condition.

Disease organisms may be carried from farm to farm by seed, seedlings for transplanting, wind, manure water, man, animal, insects, farm implements, plant refuse, etc.

Blackfire and wildfire are the two most serious tobacco diseases we have. Blackfire is more prevalent in Virginia than wildfire, appearing first in epidemic form in 1927. In that year 80 per cent of the fields were infected.

Blackfire spots are small to start with, angular in shape and black or brown in color. Frequently the centers drop out, making a shot hole appearance.

Generally the infection starts from infection received in the plant beds which may be caused by one of the following methods:

The use of contaminated seed from infected pods; the use of canvas that has been used on infested beds in previous years; the use of same plant beds in successive years or the location of the plant bed in close proximity to old tobacco fields; the application of manure or other material which contains refuse from a diseased tobacco crop; tranfer of infection from an infected plant bed to a clean one by man.

In the field, infection is started by setting out diseased plants. the weather conditions and kinds of fertilizer used will affect the rate of spread after the infection is once started.

To control blackfire—disinfect in corrosive sublimate 1-1000 for 15 minutes: throughly wash and dry; store plant bed should be made up each year on new ground—new poles and new or boiled canvas must be used; do not use natural leaf tobacco and destroy all diseased plants and those near infested spots in beds; avoid contamination by transplanting inspect

remove all diseased plants and reset with healthy ones; fields that have grown a diseased crop the previous year should not be planted in tobacco; spraying will not control diseases in the field.

OFFERS RICH PRIZE FOR SAFETY IN AIR

Guggenheim Acts to Take Peril From Flying.

New York.—Man's mastery of the air has reached a point, the Daniel Guggenheim Foundation for Promotion of Aeronautics believes, at which the factor of safety must be given greater attention if the possibilities of aircraft are to be adapted to transportation.

To hasten the day when a reliable plane in the hands of any good pilot will be as safe as a railroad train or a motor car, directors of the Guggenheim fund have set aside $150,000 in prizes, to be awarded to planes which meet most satisfactorily nine requirements for airplane safety.

The competition is to be concluded by October 31, 1929. Five British and two American manufacturers of aircraft already have entered the race.

Nine Tests Submitted.

These are the nine tests with which aircraft must comply:

The plane must maintain level and controlled flight at a speed not greater than 35 miles an hour and must be able to glide for three minutes with all power switched off, during which the speed must not exceed 38 miles an hour.

The plane must come to a complete stop within 100 feet of the spot where it first touches the ground in landing.

A steady glide must be made over an obstruction 35 feet high and the plane must come to a complete stop within 300 feet of the base of the obstruction. This is to test the ship's ability to make a forced landing in a small space surrounded by wires, houses or trees.

The plane must clear a 35-foot-high obstruction from a starting point 500 feet away.

With all power switched off, the plane must glide at an angle of not more than eight and not less than sixteen degrees and at a speed not greater than 45 miles an hour, to test its ability to approach an uncertain landing place in event of engine failure.

In normal flight, at a speed of 45 to 100 miles an hour, the pilot must take both hands off the controls for at least five minutes, to demonstrate the ability of his craft to right itself after disturbances from wind gusts or from the application of controls.

The plane must show that if its engine fails it will assume a gently gliding position and make an easy landing. The pilot must pull his elevator control to a maximum extent at the moment the power is switched off and the ship must descend on a steady glide at a speed of not more than 40 miles an hour.

Three independent controls must be placed on the ship, any of which will keep it in perfect control if the others are switched off.

The plane must show its ability to take off and to land on a plot 500 feet square surrounded by a 25-foot obstruction, and it must taxi under its own power along the ground against a strong wind.

Schedule of Awards.

Of the prize money, $100,000 will go to the competitor whose entry wins the highest number of points in four of the nine safety tests. Ten thousand dollars will go to each of the first five entries to satisfy all the requirements.

Judges are Orville Wright, H. Truboe Davison, assistant secretary of war for aeronautics; Edward P. Warner, assistant navy secretary for aeronautics; William P. MacCracken, Jr., assistant secretary of commerce for aeronautics; Commander Richard E. Byrd and Dr. George W. Lewis, Three technical advisers—Prof. Alexander Klemin of New York university, Maj. R. F. Mayo and Lieut. E. E. Aldrin of Massachusetts Institute of Technology will assist the judges.

"Any effort to make air traffic an integral part of our national commerce life," says Harry Guggenheim, president of the fund, "must first reduce and as nearly as possible overcome the popular skepticism of air transportation.

"The average man likes to send his mail by air but he lets somebody else do the flying. If present air hazards are reduced, air traffic will come into its own as a common method of transportation."

War on Corn-Borer Is Possible With Wormwood

Paris.—The corn-borer, which threatens disaster to the corn belt of the Middle West, can be fought successfully, think French scientists, by introducing wormwood into the United States.

This was given definitely as a fairly certain solution by Dr. E. Roubaud of the Pasteur institute, in a paper read before the Academy of Sciences by Doctor Bourlier. Doctor Roubaud is chief of the Pasteur institute's entomological laboratory.

The devastating corn-borer, called here "pyrale," is prevalent in France and is said to have been taken to America by way of Canada. Here, however, it prefers life in the weed-like plant wormwood, says Doctor Roubaud, and therefore is not a menace to agriculture or horticulture.

Wormwood, fairly rare in the United States, is prolific here, where it was used in the manufacture of absinthe, the liquor now prohibited.

Unbelievable

Aberdeen, Scotland.—A Scotchman made a journey costing 20 shillings in order to collect a government pension of 10 shillings.

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In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Appomattox on the 9th day of January 1928

The Federal Land Bank of Baltimore a corporation ..... Plaintiff

vs.

Mina McGinnis, Admr. Edward McGinnis and Thomas McGinnis ..... Defendant's

The object of this suit is to have a sale as provided by law of the property conveyed by Edward McGinnis, dec'd., to the Federal Land Bank Baltimore, to secure the payment of a debt due to said Bank of $300.00 secured by a Federal Land Bank Mortgage executed by said Edward McGinnis, dec'd., to have satisfaction of the said due mentioned and set aside.

And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendants Mina McGinnis and Thomas McGinnis are not residents of this State but of Virginia, it is ordered that the said defendants do within fifty days after this order is entered, and do what may be necessary to protect their interest in this suit, And it is further ordered that this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in Virginia, a newspaper published in the County of Appomattox, and that a copy be posted on the front door of the Court-House of said County on or before the fourth day of Feb. this being the next month day after this order was entered.

A copy—Teste: W. W. Smith, Clerk

J. W. Flood and I. P. Whitehead p. q. 22 2t 41

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World Is 75,000,000 Years Old, Says Professor

Berkeley, Calif.—How old is the world?

About 6,000 years, according to the account in Genesis.

More than 75,000,000 years, according to three University of California scientists, who have just returned from a geologic survey in Arizona, Utah and Colorado.

The California professors—C. L. Camp, paleontologist; S. C. Pepper of the philosophy department, and James P. Fox, geologist—studied the deep gorges of the Grand canyon and the peculiar geologic formations of Arizona's Painted Desert.

Three fragmentary phytosaur skulls, which they brought back with them, fix the age of the world at more than 75,000,000 years, the professors contend.

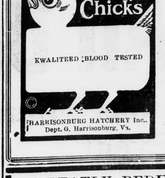
The skulls, furthermore, according to the discoverers, show that even at that somewhat remote age the process of evolution was at work.

$250,000 Smuggled in Child's Teddy Bear

Gielwitz, Germany.—Hidden in a teddy bear will be sold in the courts at Konigshutte.

Karl Kessler, a Polish postal employee, is charged with having stolen the money from a mail train. He is alleged to have handed it to a married couple named Cleslik. The sloty bills were sewed inside a Teddy bear, with which their little boy was told to play while crossing the frontier by train into Germany. In this way they hoodwinked the customs officials, but at Ottenbach, where they tried to change the sloties into other currency, the Cleslks were arrested, as were also Kessler's brother and a number of accomplices on the German-Polish border.

Kessler, who fled with false passports, was arrested in Bavaria.



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